



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl
10V-390

SUBJECT: TORQUE SEAT BOLTS

DEAR MR. JORDAL:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winnebago Industries, Inc.'s (Winnebago) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

ITASCA/SUNSTAR/2011
WINNEBAGO/VISTA/2011

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-390

Mfg's Report Date: August 31, 2010

Components: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: WIRING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 99

Summary:

WINNEBAGO IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 VISTA AND ITASCA SUNSTAR MOTOR HOMES MANUFACTURED FROM MARCH 16, 2010 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 2010. THESE VEHICLES MAY HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR A CABLE THAT POWERS THE SLIDEOUT ROOM TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE DRIVESHAFT WHEN THE SLIDEOUT IS RETRACTED.

Consequence:

IF THIS CABLE MAKES CONTACT WITH THE DRIVESHAFT, IT COULD WEAR THE PROTECTIVE JACKET AND INSULATION OFF THE CABLE EXPOSING THE CONDUCTORS TO THE DRIVESHAFT AND ELECTRIFYING THE CHASSIS, WHICH COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSTALL A DRIVESHAFT CLOSEOUT PANEL BETWEEN THE CHASSIS FRAME RAILS TO PROTECT AND SUPPORT THE WIRE HARNESS. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 31, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT WINNEBAGO AT 1-800-537-1885.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report does not meet the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6. Specifically, a chronology of all principal of events in the manner specified by 573.6 (c) (6), that were the basis for the determination that the defect relates to motor vehicle safety is required.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement